would be imported/exported to the extent of the gap in production and demand of individual products.

(d) To check oil import bill, steps have been taken to increase refining capacity by expansion of existing refineries in public sector and setting up of refineries in joint sector and private sector. Steps are also being taken to increase crude oil production in the country through application of improved technologies, development of new fields, additional development of existing fields and by inviting foreign and private capital in the upstream sector.

Revision of fare charged from dealers of petrol and diesel

1643. SHRI LALITBHAI MEHTA: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the question of revision of fare to be charged from dealers of petrol and diesel getting their supplies from refinery at Moti-Khavdi, district Jamnagar, is under consideration of his Ministry;

(b) if so, by when a decision is expected;

(c) whether it is a fact that inspite of supplies being made from the refinery at Moti-Khavdi, the fare is charged from Koyali Refinery to Rajkot; and

(d) if so, how much extra burden falls on the end user per litre of petrol and diesel?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI E. PONNUSWAMY): (a) and (b) No decision has yet been taken.

(c) and (d) All the markets that are based on Rajkot Depot pricing which in turn continues to be based on Koyali refinery pricing. The actual extra burden various depending on the relative distance of the market from the pricing points.